

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTOVONVICH

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**ASCENCIA'S ACCESS CENTER**

The Ascencia Access Center (Ascencia) is located at 1851 Tyburn Street in the City of Glendale. Ascencia is a non-profit organization which was founded in 2006 for purposes of ending homelessness in the greater Glendale area. Ascencia was originally part of the People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) family of agencies, and has been successfully operating independently since 2011. Ascencia's Access Center serves 1,200 men, women, and children annually; providing client intake services, housing linkage services, veteran services in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, permanent supportive housing, and 40 beds of emergency housing. The Access Center serves as the Coordinated Entry System for the Glendale Continuum of Care.

Ascencia plans to complete building improvements, including plumbing and lighting upgrades; installation of ADA-compliant drinking fountains; replacement of flooring; upgrades to the security system, telephone and information technology; and the installation of new built-in storage as well as installing new solar panels on the roof of the Access Center building to reduce utility costs for immediate cost savings and to negate the impact of utility price increases over time (Project). The City of Glendale is providing \$500,000 for this Project.

The Fifth Supervisorial District has authorized \$330,000 towards this Project and has directed the Community Development Commission (Commission) to oversee the use of County General Funds, specifically Homeless Service Funds (HSF), to pay for eligible Project costs. Funds would be made available to Ascencia for eligible development and construction costs in the amount of \$300,000, the remaining will be retained by the Commission for administrative oversight expenses.

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**I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer or her designee to transfer up to \$330,000 in County General Funds, specifically HSF allocated to the Fifth Supervisorial District, to the Commission for the Project and to execute, and if necessary amend, a funding agreement necessary to transfer these funds to the Commission.

**I, FURTHER, MOVE THAT THE BOARD, ACTING AS THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:**

1. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to accept and incorporate up to \$330,000 in HSF allocated to the Fifth Supervisorial District into the Commission's approved Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget, of which \$300,000 will be granted to Ascencia to complete building improvements and install solar panels at Ascencia, which provides services and emergency housing to the homeless, and the remaining \$30,000 (10%) will be retained by the Commission for administrative costs related to the oversight of the Project.
2. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to negotiate, execute, amend, and if necessary terminate, a Grant Agreement with Ascencia for a total amount of up to \$300,000 in HSF, allocated to the Fifth Supervisorial District, to complete building improvements and install solar panels at the Access Center serving the homeless. The Grant Agreement shall be effective following receipt of the funds from the Chief Executive Office, approval as to form by County Counsel, and execution by all parties.
3. Authorize the Executive Director, or his designee, to execute, and if necessary amend, a funding agreement with the County to accept up to \$330,000 in County General Funds, specifically HSF allocated to the Fifth Supervisorial District into the Commission's approval Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget.
4. Find that the approval of funds for the installation of solar panels and other building improvements described in this motion is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.35, Guidelines Section 15301 and Class 1 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

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